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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
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BASSON, et al.)
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Patent Application No.:10/069,945)
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Filed: 09/19/2002)
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For: RECOVERY OF ZINC FROM ZINC)
BEARING SULPHIDE MINERALS BY)
BIOLEACHING AND ELECTROWINNING)

Group Art Unit: 1742

Examiner: Wilkins III, Harry D.

Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response in the above identified application.

- (x) No additional fee is required.
- () An extension of a shortened statutory time for response under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is requested.
- () A verified statement under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.
 - () is enclosed.
 - () is of record in this application.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining after Amend.	Highest Number Paid For	Extra	RATE		Amount
				Large Entity	Small Entity	
No. of Claims in Excess of 20				50.00	25.00	
Independent Claims in Excess of 3				200.00	100.00	
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims				360.00	180.00	
Extension Fee						
() One month				120.00	60.00	
() Two Months				450.00	225.00	
() Three Months				1,020.00	510.00	
() Four Months				1,590.00	795.00	
() Five Months				2,160.00	1,080.00	

TOTAL FEE \$ 0.00

- (X) A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached. (Check No. __)
- () Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 10-1213.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 10-1213.
- (X) Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- (X) Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

This is a Response to the Examiner's Office Action which was mailed on September 13, 2005.